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EARNINGS AND HOURS OF EMPLOYEES, OCTOBER 1975 (PRELIMINARY)

Main Features

 In October 1975 estimated average weekly earnings and hours for full-time non-managerial employees were as follows, (changes since October 1974 being shown in brackets):

Adult males \$164.30 (+\$16.50 or 11 per cent) for 40.6 hours (-0.7)

Junior males \$86.50 (+\$8.70 or 11 per cent) for 39.5 hours (-0.5)

Adult females \$128.70 (+\$18.30 or 17 per cent) for 38.4 hours (-0.1)

Junior females \$83.90 (+\$14.70 or 21 per cent) for 38.7 hours (-0.1)

The decrease in average hours generally reflects lower overtime hours.

- Average weekly earnings for full-time non-managerial adult males ranged from \$218.00 in mining to \$142.10 in retail trade, and from \$185.30 in the Northern Territory and \$183.40 in the Australian Capital Territory to \$154.70 in South Australia.
- Average weekly earnings for full-time managerial, executive, etc. staff in private employment were \$235.90 for males and \$166.80 for females. These averages represented increases since October 1974 of \$32.60 (or 16 per cent) for males and \$28.90 (or 21 per cent) for females.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This statement contains a summary of the preliminary results of a survey of private and government employees conducted in respect of the last pay-period in October 1975. Some comparative figures are also shown for October 1974. Detailed results of the

October 1975 Survey will be published in the near future in *Earnings and Hours of Employees*, *October* 1975 (Reference No. 6.40).

2. Average weekly earnings figures for males in this statement are not directly comparable with estimates of average weekly earnings per employed male unit published in the quarterly statement Reference No. 6.18, since they relate to only one pay-period in October, not to the average for a quarter, and their scope is less extensive. (See paragraph 3.)

Scope of survey

3. All wage and salary earners were included, except members of the defence forces, employees in private households employing staff, waterside workers employed on a casual basis and employees of private employers (other than hospitals) not subject to payroll tax. (At the time of the survey payroll tax was payable by employers paying more than \$400 a week in wages and salaries, other than certain Australian Government bodies, religious and benevolent institutions, public hospitals and other similar organisations specifically exempted under the Australian and State Pay-roll Tax Acts 1971-1974.)

Survey design

4. Australian and State Government bodies were completely enumerated; for other employers separate stratified random samples of private employers, non-government hospitals not subject to payroll tax, and local government authorities were used.

Industry classification

5. The industry classification used for the survey is the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC) described in Australian Standard Industrial Classification (Preliminary Edition) 1969, Vol 1. The following table shows the ASIC industries used in the survey and shown in tables of this statement. Abbreviated titles to industries are also shown.

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Division	Sub- division	Industry	Abbreviated titles used
С		Manufacturing —	
	21-22	Food, beverages and tobacco	
	23,24	Textiles; clothing and footwear	
	26	Paper and paper products, printing and publishing	Paper, printing, etc.
	27	Chemical, petroleum and coal products	
	29	Basic metal products	
	31,33	Fabricated metal products; other industrial	Fabricated metal products;
		machinery and equipment and household appliances	other machinery, etc.
	32	Transport equipment	
	25,28,34	Other (a)	
	, ,	Non-manufacturing industries —	
В		Mining	
D		Electricity, gas and water	
E		Construction	
	46-47	Wholesale trade	
F	48	Retail trade	
G,H		Transport and storage; communication	
1		Finance, insurance, real estate and business services	Finance, business services
J,K (b)		Public administration and defence (b); community services	Public administration, etc.
A,L (c)		Other industries (c) (forestry and logging, fishing and	Other
,- (-)		hunting, entertainment, recreation, restaurants, hotels and personal services)	
		Total (b) (c)	

(a) Includes wood, wood products and furniture (sub-division 25); glass, clay and other non-metallic mineral products (sub-division 28); and leather, rubber and plastic products and manufacturing not elsewhere classified (sub-division 34). (b) Excludes defence forces. (c) Excludes agriculture and services to agriculture (sub-divisions 01 and 02) and private households employing staff (sub-division 94).

Definitions

ASIC Code

- 6. Private employees are employees of private employers subject to payroll tax and employees of non-government hospitals not subject to payroll tax.
- 7. Government employees are civilian employees of Australian and State government departments, authorities and semi-government bodies and of local government authorities.
- 8. Adult employees comprise employees 21 years of age and over and employees under 21 years of age who are paid at the adult rate for their occupation. Junior employees are all other employees under 21 years of age.
- 9. Full-time employees are employees who ordinarily work 30 hours or more a week, and part-time employees are those who ordinarily work less than 30 hours a week.
- private employees, non-managerial employees were defined to include minor supervisory employees, leading hands, clerical and office staff as well as ordinary wages employees. They exclude managerial, executive, professional and higher supervisory staff who, for the private sector, were not further defined. For government employees, managerial, executive, professional and higher supervisory staff were generally defined as those employees who (i) were ineligible to receive payment for overtime, or (ii) although subject to payment for overtime, were in charge of a significant number of employees in a separate establishment (or establishments). The allocation of employees to these two classifications may have varied for individual private employers and between employers in the private and government sectors, with consequent effects on survey results.
- 11. Weekly earnings refers to gross earnings before taxation and other deductions have been made. It includes overtime earnings, which refer to that part of

gross weekly earnings for hours paid for in excess of award, standard or agreed hours of work, and *ordinary* time earnings.

12. Weekly hours paid for refers to the hours for which payment was made. It includes overtime hours, which refers to hours in excess of award, standard or agreed hours of work, and ordinary time hours.

Reliability of estimates

13. As the survey was based on a sample of employers the resultant estimates are subject to sampling

variability, that is, variations which might occur by chance because only a sample of employers was surveyed. The extent of the detail published has been determined after considering estimated measures of sampling variability.

NOTE. Estimates of average weekly earnings shown in the tables are rounded to the nearest 10 cents, and those of average weekly hours paid for are rounded to the first decimal place. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables are due to rounding.

NOTE. Inquiries concerning these statistics may be made in Canberra by telephoning Mr Graham Angus on 52 6572 or, in each State capital, by telephoning the office of the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

TABLE 1. - A'VERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, ALL EMPLOYEES (a)

	_			Oct	tober 1975	(b)				October	Danisantas
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N. T.	A. C. T.	Aust.	1974 (b) Aust.	Percentage increase (c)
	2				-	S -					%
Males	167.60	167.70	158.60	153.00	164.40	160.80	186.10	195.60	165.50	146.50	13.0
Adults	174.70	174.30	166.70	160.50	172.00	168.00	190.40	203.20	172.20	152.50	12.9
Juniors	78.90	79.30	78.70	77.50	77.60	85.80	86.90	67.80	78.80	71.00	11.0
Full-time employees	174.70	174.70	163.20	158.00	170.70	163.90	191.30	207.10	171.40	152.10	12.7
Adults	180.60	180.60	170.70	164.90	177.80	171.20	195.10	211.90	177.80	157.70	12.7
Juniors	85.70	89.40	85.20	84.30	84.00	87.80	94.90	94.20	86.50	77.80	11.2
Females	111.20	109.40	100.80	100.30	105.30	109.60	140.00	123.00	108.40	92.40	17.3
Adults	117.40	115.90	110.20	107.70	112.30	116.80	143.60	129.80	115.40	98.70	16.9
Juniors	74.30	75.50	71.10	69.20	70.30	81.40	86.60	70.80	73.40	61.70	19.0
Full-time employees	125.40	123.20	114.40	116.30	123.70	126.80	150.40	139.80	122.60	104.30	17.5
Adults	132.40	130.30	127.10	127.10	134.00	140.80	154.50	146.00	131.60	112.30	17.2
Juniors	85.30	87.60	79.30	78.50	80.10	85.00	93.90	89.40	83.90	69.20	21.2
Persons	148.20	148.40	140.70	134.80	144.90	144.50	170.40	166.60	146.20	128.40	13.9
Adults	155.50	156.30	151.30	143.70	153.60	153.20	174.70	175.00	154.60	135.80	13.8
Juniors	76.50	77.30	74.60	73.20	73.90	83.50	86.80	69.50	76.00	66.00	15.2
Full-time employees	159.20	159.70	150.30	146.10	157.50	154.10	178.40	183.30	157.10	138.00	13.8
Adults	166.30	167.10	160.90	155.30	166.70	164.30	182.60	189.70	165.50	145.40	13.8
Juniors	85.50	88.40	82.10	81.40	82.00	86.40	94.50	91.30	85.20	73.30	16.2

⁽a) Total private and government employees, including managerial, executive, etc., staff. See paragraph 10, page 2. (b) Last pay-period in October. (c) Percentage increase October 1975 over October 1974.

TABLE 2. - AVERAGE EARNINGS AND HOURS: FULL-TIME NON-MANAGERIAL EMPLOYEES (a)

		Adult M	Males .							
	Oct. 1974 (b)			Junior Males		Adult Females		Junior Females		
	Total	Overtime (c)	Ordinary time	Total	Oct. 1974 (b)	Oct. 1975 (b)	Oct. 1974 (b)	Oct. 1975 (b)	Oct. 1974 (b)	Oct. 1975 (b)
			AVE	RAGE WEE	EKLY EARN	INGS (\$)				
New South Wales	151.40	14.40	151.50	165.60	79.40	85.70	112.40	129.20	70.60	85.30
Victoria	147.40	13.90	151.80	165.70	80.40	89.40	109.80	127.70	71.60	87.60
Queensland	142.60	14.30	144.80	159.20	75.70	85.20	104.40	123.00	65.40	79.30
South Australia	138.80	9.90	144.70	154.70	74.50	84.30	107.60	125.30	68.40	78.50
Western Australia	147.90	19.10	148.90	168.00	73.60	84.00	106.20	131.40	66.00	80.10
Tasmania	140.60	11.20	147.50	158.70	72.80	87.80	119.90	138.50	65.00	85.00
Northern Territory	173.20	27.70							73.70	93.90
	173.20	27.70	157.50	185.30	79.70	94.90	116.60	153.40	73.70	73.70
Australian Capital	170.40	11.10	172 10	102.40	01.40	0.4.22	105.50	141.40	76.00	00.40
Territory	170.40	11.10	172.40	183.40	81.40	94.20	125.60	141.40	76.00	89.40
Australia	147.80	14.20	150.20	164.30	77.80	86.50	110.40	128.70	69.20	83.90
			AVER.	AGE WEEK	LY HOURS	PAID FOR				
New South Wales	41.4	2.4	38.1	40.5	39.8	39.4	38.4	38.1	38.6	38.6
Victoria	41.3	2.4	38.4	40.8	40.2	39.7	38.8	38.6	39.0	38.7
Queensland	41.1	2.3	37.8	40.1	39.7	39.2	38.6	38.6	38.8	38.7
South Australia	40.9	1.9	38.4	40.3	40.0	39.6	38.1	38.4	38.9	38.7
Western Australia	41.7	3.3	38.1	41.4	40.4	39.9	38.8	38.8	39.0	38.9
Tasmania	41.0	1.9	38.6	40.4	39.9	39.4	38.2	37.1	39.1	39.3
Northern Territory	43.8	4.7	36.9		40.7					
Australian Capital	43.0	4.7	30.9	41.6	40.7	39.9	38.1	36.9	38.7	38.4
Territory	41.1	1.8	37.9	39.7	39.8	39.8	37.6	37.7	37.7	38.3
Territory	41.1	1.0	37.9	39.7	39.8	39.8	37.0	31.1	37.7	38.3
Australia	41.3	2.4	38.2	40.6	40.0	39.5	38.5	38.4	38.8	38.7
			AVE	RAGE HOU	JRLY EARN	INGS (\$)				-=
New South Wales	3,66	6.00	3.98	4.10	2.00	2.18	2.93	3.39	1.83	2.22
Victoria	3.57	5.78	3.95	4.06	2.00	2.25	2.83	3.31	1.84	2.26
Queensland	3.47	6.20	3.83	3.97	1.91	2.17	2.70	3.18	1.68	2.05
South Australia	3.39	5.33	3.77	3.84	1.86	2.17	2.83	3.26	1.76	2.03
Western Australia	3.55	5.72	3.91	4.06	1.82	2.13	2.74	3.26		2.03
Tasmania									1.69	
	3.43	5.95	3.83	3.92	1.82	2.23	3.14	3.66	1.66	2.16
Northern Territory Australian Capital	3.96	5.94	4.27	4.46	1.96	2.38	3.06	4.16	1.90	2.44
Territory	4.14	6.12	4.55	4.62	2.04	2.36	3.34	3.76	2.01	2.34
Australia	3.58	5.89	3.93	4.05	1.95	2.19	2.86	3.35	1.78	2.17

⁽a) Private and government employees. See paragraph 10, page 2. Separate estimates for private and government employees are shown in Table 7. (b) Last pay-period in October. (c) Average overtime earnings and hours paid for are averages for all employees represented in the survey.

TABLE 3. – AVERAGE EARNINGS AND HOURS : FULL-TIME NON-MANAGERIAL EMPLOYEES (a), INDUSTRIES, AUSTRALIA, OCTOBER 1975 (b)

					Mar	ufactur	ing					
					Meta	l produc	ets, mach	iinery	and equi	ipment	E	
	Food, beverages and tobacco	Textiles; clothing and footwear	Paper, printing etc.	Chemica petroleus g, and coa product	m Basic l metal	n pro othe	oricated netal oducts; er mach- ry, etc.		sport oment	Total	Other	Total manufact- uring
				AVERAGE '	WEEKLY E	ARNING	GS (\$)					
Adult males	158.70	146.40	169.20	177.80	170.60	1.5	51.70	154	1.00	156.50	152.90	157.90
Junior males	90.40	74.60	89.90	93.10	91.00		80.20		1.50	83.50	79.10	84.00
Adult females	118.60	109.20	119.50	126.60	130.90	11	6.40		.20	118.60	113.40	115.80
Junior females	82.70	74.10	80.40	89.80	92.30	8	80.60	82	2.90	82.50	80.00	79.40
		-	A	VERAGE WI	EEKLY HO	JRS PA	ID FOR					
Adult males	42.5	42.4	41.1	40.8	40.9		41.0		39.9	40.6	42.0	41.3
Junior males	40.5	39.7	39.9	39.1	38.0		39.4		39.0	39.0	39.5	39.4
Adult females	38.8	38.5	38.4	38.4	38.9		38.9		38.8	38.9	38.7	38.7
Junior females	39.1	38.8	39.2	38.6	38.7		38.3	3	38.0	38.3	39.1	38.8
				AVERAGE I	HOURLY E	ARNING	GS (\$)					
Adult males	3.74	3.45	4.11	4.35	4.17		3.70	3	3.86	3.85	3.64	3.82
Junior males	2.23	1.88	2.25	2.38	2.39		2.04		2.17	2.14	2.00	2.13
Adult females	3.06	2.84	3.11	3.30	3.37		2.99		3.12	3.05	2.93	2.99
Junior females	2.12	1.91	2.05	2.33	2.39		2.11		2.18	2.15	2.05	2.05
					Non-n	anufact	uring					
	ii aa a				Т	ransport	t					
						and			Public		Total	
	E	electricity,				storage;	Finar		adminis-		non-	Total
	Mining	gas and water	Cons- truction	Wholesale trade		ommun- ication	- busin servi		tration, etc.	Othor	manufact-	- all industrie
	Mining	water	truction	irage	iraae	ication	servi	ces	etc.	Other	uring	inaustrie
				AVERAGE '	WEEKLY E	ARNING	GS (\$)					
Adult males	218.00	175.10	161.80			174.30	163.		177.00	151.90	167.60	164.30
Junior males	118.80	94.50	92.00	81.90	78.50	91.00	94.		91.50	80.20	87.70	86.50
Adult females Junior females	144.50 95.60	135.00 85.50	123.10 83.00	121.40 82.70	119.30 76.80	135.40 88.40	128. 86.		144.00 90.30	121.30 69.90	134.00	128.70 83.90
Julior Temales	93.00	63.30	-				-	-	90.30	09.90	84.60	63.90
				VERAGE WI		*						
Adult males	41.1	40.3	40.8	40.4	41.3	40.7		9.8	38.8	41.2	40.2	40.6
Junior males Adult females	39.6 38.1	39.1 36.7	39.3 37.9	40.0 38.6	40.3 39.7	40.3 39.2		9.1 3.1	37.8 37.6	40.8 39.4	39.6 38.3	39.5 38.4
Junior females	38.7	36.4	38.4	39.0	39.7	38.8		3.5	38.0	38.9	38.7	38.7
				AVERAGE I	HOURLY E	ARNIN	GS (\$)					
Adult males	5.30	4.34	3.97	3.76	3.44	4.28	4.	11	4.56	3.69	4.17	4.05
Junior males	3.00	2.42	2.34	2.05	1.95	2.26		41	2.42	1.97	2.22	2.19
Adult females	3.79	3.68	3.25	3.14	3.00	3.46	3.	38	3.83	3.08	3.50	3.35
Junior females	2.47	2.34	2.16	2.12	1.93	2.28	2.	24	2.38	1.80	2.18	2.17

⁽a) Private and government employees. See paragraph 10, page 2. (b) Last pay-period in October.

TABLE 4. – AVERAGE WEEKLY OVERTIME AND ORDINARY TIME EARNINGS AND HOURS : FULL-TIME NON-MANAGERIAL EMPLOYEES (a), AUSTRALIA

	Adult Males		Junior	Males	Adult	Females	Junior Females	
	October 1974 (b)	October 1975 (b)						
			AVERAGE W	EEKLY EARN	INGS (\$)			24-1-0-
Overtime (c)	15.70	14.20	4.20	3.50	3.30	3.10	1.30	1.20
Ordinary time (c)	132.10	150.20	73.50	83.00	107.00	125.60	67.90	82.70
Total	147.80	164.30	77.80	86.50	110.40	128.70	69.20	83.90
			AVERAGE WEI	EKLY HOURS	PAID FOR			
Overtime (c)	3.1	2.4	1.4	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.4
Ordinary time (c)	38.3	38.2	38.6	38.5	37.7	37.7	38.3	38.3
Total	41.3	40.6	40.0	39.5	38.5	38.4	38.8	38.7

⁽a) Private and government employees. See paragraph 10, page 2. (b) Last pay-period in October. (c) Average overtime and ordinary time earnings and hours paid for are averages for all employees represented in the survey.

TABLE 5. – AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS AND HOURS, PART-TIME EMPLOYEES (a) AUSTRALIA

		Average weeki	ly earnings (\$)	Average weekly hours paid for				
	Adult	Junior	Adult	Junior	Adult	Junior	Adult	Junior
	males	males	females	females	males	males	females	females
October 1974 (b) October 1975 (b)	45.70	14.60	51.90	13.80	12.9	8.3	17.0	7.5
	54.60	18.00	61.20	18.90	13.3	8.2	17.1	8.5

⁽a) Total part-time private and government employees. Part-time employees are those who normally work less than 30 hours a week. (b) Last pay-period in October.

TABLE 6. – AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, PRIVATE MANAGERIAL, EXECUTIVE, ETC. STAFF (a), OCTOBER 1975 (b)
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(i) MALES, INDUSTRIES, AUSTRALIA Non-manufacturing -Manufacturing -Food, beverages and tobacco 229.10 Mining 286.80 217.10 Electricity, gas and water 256.90 Textiles; clothing and footwear 241.10 Construction 238.30 Paper, printing, etc. 229.80 Chemical, petroleum and coal products 261.40 Wholesale trade 203.30 Retail trade Metal products, machinery and equipment -Basic metal products 273.40 Transport and storage; communication 240.60 253.60 Finance, business services Fabricated metal products; 277.70 Public administration, etc. other machinery, etc. 234.50 201.70 Other Transport equipment 261.40 234.00 Total 245.40 Total non-manufacturing 233.80 Other 235.90 Total manufacturing 239.30 Total all industries

(ii)TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES Males Females Vic. Old S.A. W.A.Tas. Aust. (c) Aust. (c) N.S.W. 203.30 137.90 195.00 181.60 210.10 191.60 186.80 October 1974 (b) 207.20 228.50 212.60 235.90 166.80 October 1975 (b) 245.00 239.50 218.10 216.70

⁽a) Private managerial, executive, professional and higher supervisory staff. See paragraph 10, page 2. (b) Last pay-period in October. (c) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. Separate details for the Territories are not available.

TABLE 7. – AVERAGE EARNINGS AND HOURS : FULL-TIME NON-MANAGERIAL EMPLOYEES (a), PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

				October 1975 (b)			October 1974 (b)
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (c)	Aust. (c)
			AVERAGE WE	EKLY EARNI	NGS (\$)			
Private employees –								
Adult males	163.70	160.90	160.40	149.40	170.00	152.80	161.70	145.50
Junior males	84.30	86.00	85.70	81.20	80.90	86.10	84.50	75.50
Adult females	123.30	123.50	120.10	116.10	121.60	119.20	122.40	103.20
Junior females	84.50	86.00	77.90	74.80	78.80	78.60	82.30	66.70
Government employee	es –							
Adult males	169.90	175.40	157.40	162.60	164.80	167.20	168.70	152.30
Junior males	89.60	98.50	84.20	93.80	90.90	93.30	91.50	84.40
Adult females	146.20	144.60	128.00	139.90	149.50	157.50	143.90	128.50
Junior females	90.20	93.40	81.50	86.70	84.20	95.20	88.40	77.20
		AV	VERAGE WEE	KLY HOURS P	AID FOR			
Private employees –								
Adult males	41.0	41.4	40.8	40.8	42.4	40.9	41.2	42.0
Junior males	39.8	39.9	40.0	39.7	40.3	39.6	39.9	40.3
Adult females	38.8	38.7	39.2	38.8	39.0	38.4	38.8	38.9
Junior females	38.9	38.8	39.3	39.1	39.1	39.5	39.0	39.0
Government employee	es –							
Adult males	39.5	39.7	39.1	39.4	40.0	39.8	39.5	40.0
Junior males	38.2	39.2	37.7	39.2	38.8	38.8	38.5	38.9
Adult females	36.2	38.3	37.6	37.8	38.2	37.3	37.3	37.5
Junior females	37.4	38.4	37.7	38.0	38.4	39.1	37.9	38.3
			AVERAGE HO	URLY EARNI	NGS (\$)		× 1	
Private employees -								
Adult males	3.99	3.89	3.93	3.66	4.01	3.74	3.92	3.46
Junior males	2.12	2.16	2.14	2.05	2.01	2.18	2.12	1.87
Adult females	3.18	3.19	3.06	2.99	3.11	3.10	3.15	2.65
Junior females	2.17	2.21	1.98	1.91	2.01	1.99	2.11	1.71
Government employe	es –							
Adult males	4.30	4.42	4.02	4.12	4.12	4.20	4.27	3.81
Junior males	2.35	2.51	2.23	2.39	2.34	2.41	2.38	2.17
Adult females	4.04	3.78	3.40	3.70	3.91	4.23	3.86	3.42
Junior females	2.41	2.43	2.16	2.28	2.19	2.44	2.33	2.02

⁽a) See paragraph 10, page 2. Estimates for total private and government employees are shown in Table 2. (b) Last pay-period in October. (c) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. Separate details for the Territories are not available.

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